

Cause-Effect Paragraph

Focuses:

- Language related to causes and effects
- Structure of a cause-effect paragraph
- Analysis of cause-effect paragraph samples

Focus 1: Language related to causes and effects

Put the words/phrases below in the correct columns.

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|---------------|---------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| ● result in | ● landslide | ● so | ● effect |
| ● hurricane | ● result from | ● reason | ● drought |
| ● due to | ● because of | ● impact | ● melting glaciers |
| ● result | ● consequence | ● volcanic eruption | ● contribute to |
| ● cause | ● lead to | ● owing to | ● as a result, |
| ● forest fire | ● therefore, | ● flood | ● source |
| ● because | ● tsunami | ● consequently, | ● stem from |

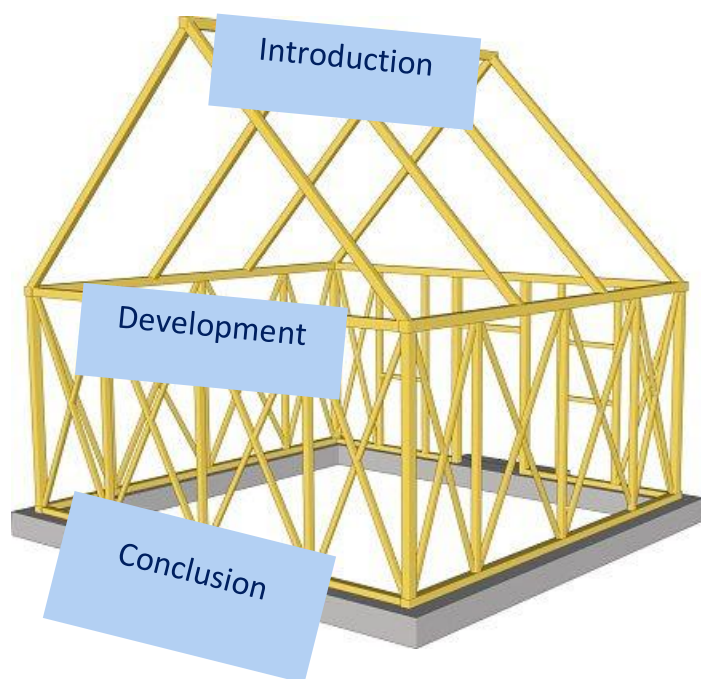
Your Answers:

1. Natural Disasters	2. Nouns related to causes/effects	3. Verb phrases related to causes/effects	4. Conjunctions / Prepositional Phrases

Can you add some more words/phrases to these columns?

Focus 2: Cause-effect paragraph

Structure



Introduction

(Lead-in)

Topic sentence

Development

Main idea 1 + Supporting sentences

Main idea 2 + Supporting sentences

Conclusion

Restate the topic / Summarise the main points

(Give further comments)

Suggested topic sentence:

This writing/paragraph will discuss / analyze ...

In this writing / paragraph, ... will be discussed / analyzed.

Suggested sentences for main ideas:

Firstly, / Secondly, S V

In addition, / Additionally, S V

The first / second... is ...

The first / second... is that S V

Another ... is ...

Another ... is that S V

Conclusion

In conclusion, S V

In summary, S V

Restate the topic

Common Writing Tasks



- ♣ Discuss the main / major causes of ...
What are the main / major causes of ...?
What are the reasons for ...?
Why ... happen?
- ♣ Discuss the effects of ...
What are the effects / consequences of ...?
What effects ... bring about?
- ♣ Discuss the causes and effects of

Focus 3: Analysis of sample paragraphs

Task: Write a paragraph (at least 150 words) about the main causes of stress.

Marking criteria:

- ♣ Task Fulfilment
- ♣ Organization
- ♣ Grammar
- ♣ Vocabulary



SAMPLE 1

We feel stress everyday. So what cause stress? I think there are many. Example:

- Lose a loved one
- Divorse
- Financial
- Helth
- Jobs
- Personall relationships

But have many ways help us cope with stress. The first, talk to a close friend. The second, spend time to relax. Next, can go to the hospital.

In conclusion, you should relaxing.

(63 words)

Marking:

Task Fulfilment: ____/10

Organization: ____/10

Grammar: ____/10

Vocabulary: ____/10

SAMPLE 2

It is undeniable that stress has become a common issue today. Understanding the causes of stress is crucial to effectively manage and alleviate it. The first major cause of stress is work-related pressure. The demands of deadlines, long working hours, the poor working environment and lack of job security can lead to chronic stress. As a matter of fact, in developed countries, people tend to suffer the pressure of earning as much money as they can to improve their living standard, thereby ending up in frustration. The next major factor that can also contribute significantly to stress levels is personal relationships. Conflicts with family members or friends, lack of support, and the pressure to meet societal expectations can all be sources of stress. Furthermore, people tend to feel stressed due to financial issues. The constant worry about unemployment, bills, debts, and financial stability or even inadequate income to meet basic needs can harm mental well-being. In conclusion, being aware of what causes stress will help people deal with it to enjoy their lives.

(173 words)

Marking:

Task Fulfilment: ____/10

Organization: ____/10

Grammar: ____/10

Vocabulary: ____/10

Overall: ____/10

Task: Write a paragraph (at least 150 words) about the effects of deforestation.

Mind these marking criteria:

- ♣ Task Fulfilment
- ♣ Organization
- ♣ Grammar
- ♣ Vocabulary



YOUR ANSWER:

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